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1. The propaganda line presently emanating from the Soviet Consulate in Tientsin and circulated and carried out by the Tientsin Soviet community aims to convince the Russian emigrants remaining that their only hope of survival lies in returning to the USSR. At one of the recent meetings of the Sovaktiv (Soviet Activists) of the Tientsin Soviet Consulate, Consul General Kurdyukov categorically stated that "not a single Russian emigrant will be able to leave China except to go to the USSR," and that "soon not only Russian emigrants but also the Soviet community will be able to convince themselves of this fact."

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[See also "Political Information: Russian Emigrants Remaining in China Propagandized by Soviet Officials."]

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2. From the Soviet viewpoint, Kurdyukov's statement was "confirmed" by an incident in Shanghai in which an emigrant group (Ukrainians) which had been promised a group visa by the Argentine Government met with an unexplainably inimical attitude on the part of the Argentine Consul General in Shanghai, who refused to issue the necessary documents. Serving to bolster Soviet propaganda, this incident became known immediately among the Soviet communities in Shanghai and Tientsin.

Recently another propaganda line has been intensified in Tientsin—that the complete communization of China will be effected in the very near future as the anti-Soviet bloc in the world is completely unprepared and lacks unity. Therefore, the USSR will be in a position to impose its will on all the world.

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At the Tuesday and Thursday meetings of the Sovaktiv of the Tientsin Soviet Citizens Association, particular stress is laid on the interpretation of the Soviet Union's position. Three propaganda lines which are pushed at these meetings are:

- a. The enemies of the USSR are actively preparing for a Third "Imperialistic" War, for which reason all Soviet citizens abroad should be prepared for any eventuality, including repatriation to the USSR.

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b. Regarding Chinese affairs, it is pointed out at these meetings that Soviet influence is on the increase among the Chinese masses while the Kuomintang has proved its inefficiency and is on the verge of collapse. This will result in the establishment of Soviet domination in China irrespective of American efforts.

c. America is now facing great difficulties everywhere, this being the result of the active work of the American Communist Party, which has managed to turn the sympathy of the American masses toward the USSR. [REDACTED] This line of propaganda is drummed into the Soviet audience continually and is presented in various aspects. (See paragraph 5.)

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5. At the last meeting of the Sovaktiv of the Soviet Consulate, which was attended by 17 activists, Secretary Seleznev presented a digest of the latest events, the gist of which was that in most countries of the world popular sympathy is turning to the USSR, so that in due course the governments of all countries will finally have to agree with the Soviet Government's point of view in all international questions. Seleznev also asserted that General Marshall's plan had proved a complete fiasco and that the American Government had been defeated in its attempt to create a pro-American Korean Government. He ridiculed the "piteous attempts of the pro-American bloc to interfere with the internal affairs of Bulgaria", particularly in connection with the trial of Petkov who, as "an American undercover agent and traitor to the Bulgarian nation, would certainly be executed."

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Note: See [REDACTED] "Political Information: Sovaktiv of Soviet Consulate and Soviet Citizens Association in Tientsin," for structures and functions of those organizations.

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